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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

In re application of : Deraa et al.  
App. No. : 09/945,065  
For : METAL SILICIDE ADHESION  
LAYER FOR CONTACT  
STRUCTURES  
Filed : August 30, 2001  
Examiner : Junghwa M. Im  
Group Art Unit : 2811

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